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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Franz-Josef RUBRÖDER et al. Group Art Unit: 1646 Examiner: Olga N. Chernyshev, Ph.D. Application No.: 09/991,964 Filed: November 26, 2001 PROCESS FOR THE For: STABILIZATION OF PROTEINS IN COMPLEX MIXTURES **DURING THEIR STORAGE IN AQUEOUS SOLVENTS**

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated July 8, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 47 and 77, as follows:

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47. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 46, wherein the animal

insulin is human insulin.

77. (Amended) The process as claimed in claim 76, wherein the animal

insulin is human insulin.